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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF EXIM TEAM TO TUNISIA, APRIL 7-13

REF: STATE 81003

1. EMBASSY ALWAYS WELCOMES VISIT OF EXIMBANK REPRESENTATIVES AND BELITO TTOMRIOUS PROJECTS COMING ALONG UNDER FIFTH PLAN MAKE VISIT WITHIN NEXT MONTH OR SO OPPORTUNE. HOWEVER, TIMING OF PROPOSED VISIT APRIL 7-13 IS NOT IDEAL FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:
(A) MISKAR GAS PROJECT CURRENTLY UNDERGOING ANOTHER HIGH-LEVEL GOT REVIEW, WHICH NOT LIKELY TO BE COMPLETED BY TIME OF VISIT; (B) ARRIVAL FRIDAY, APRIL 7, AT OUTSET OF TUNISIAN WEEKEND AND THOUGH ONE OR TWO MEETINGS MAY BE ARRANGED FOR SATURDAY MORNING, LITTLE WORK CAN BE DONE BEFORE MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 10; (C) ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR MONTGOMERY WILL BE OUT OF COUNTRY AND ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER GALLAGHER, WHO WOULD WISH TO ACCOMPANY EXIM REPRESENTATIVES ON ALL CALLS, WILL HAVE COMPETING CLAIMS ON HIS TIME--NOTABLY USDA-SPONSORED POULTRY
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SEMINAR APRIL 10, 11 AND USDOC CONSTRUCTION TRADE MISSION ARRIVING TUNIS AFTERNOON OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12.

3. DESPITE ALL THESE COMPLICATIONS, WE APPRECIATE PROPOSED TIMING OF VISIT PROBABLY LINKED TO TANGIER COMMERCIAL MEETING APRIL 3-6. IF EXIM REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT ABLE TO RE-SCHEDULE FOR LATER DATE,

SUCH AS FIRST WEEK IN MAY, THEN OUR ADVICE IS TO
COME AHEAD AS PLANNED. EMBASSY WILL DO ITS BEST
UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES TO ASSURE PROFITABLE VISIT.
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